



Program Description

"Teaching Tolerance through English" Summer Camp July 30-August 13, 2011 Balatonlelle, Hungary

The Regional English Language Office at the Embassy of the United States of America in Budapest is organizing the 6th **"Teaching Tolerance through English"** summer camp for English teachers and their primary school students (ages 11-13) from Central and Southeastern Europe.

From July 30 till August 13 2010 the Embassy of the United States of America is organizing the „Teaching Tolerance through English” summer camp in Balatonlelle. The camp is hosting approximately 55 primary school students and 11 teachers from a total of 11 schools in the region.

The program is intended to help teachers and students to increase tolerance at their multi-ethnic schools through teaching English. The participants come from communities where different ethnic groups live side by side, and where practical skills and experience to improve mutual tolerance are still developing.

The program contains training, cultural excursion, sports, arts, and intercultural learning elements.

Two English Language experts, Mary Lou McCloskey, PhD (Atlanta, Georgia, USA), and Dr. Lydia Stack (San Francisco, USA) will train the teachers on how to effectively foster tolerance at their schools, while providing quality English teaching. The English teachers will bring with them altogether 60 students from their schools. In the morning the teachers and students participate in joint sessions. During the afternoons students will do sports, arts, and intercultural activities, while the teachers continue with their training. The afternoon activities for the students will be organized by a team of about eight student counselors.

Professional Development opportunity for English Teachers from Central and Southeastern Europe

We are looking for two to three primary school English teachers per country to participate in the summer camp. The teachers should come from different schools, and be working in mixed ethnic communities in these countries. The teachers will be offered a two-week training on Teaching Tolerance through English free of charge during the camp, including full board and lodging. The training will focus on theory and practice, and is based on experiential learning. The English language experts will provide effective tolerance building methods in an English teaching setting, which can be easily applied in the class room. At the end of the training, the teachers will get a certificate and go home fully refreshed for the new teaching season. The training will equip the teachers with exciting methods that will inspire children to be more tolerant towards each other, while becoming more loyal to school and its teachers. Interested teachers should send a CV and motivation letter in English to Gergo Santha at SanthaG@state.gov and gergosantha@yahoo.com by no later than May 13, 2011.

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